## 1624 Meeting Minutes - October 7, 2010 - Martin Luther King, Jr. Office

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION SUMMARY	DECISIONS	ASSIGNMENTS	DUE	LEADS
				DATES	
Introductions	Attendees introduced				
	themselves.				
DLR	Gia Wesley provided				
	handouts to the attendees.				
	They were:				
	All You Wanted to Know				
	About Respite Care				
	Requirements!				
	<u>Children's Administration</u>				
	R4 Foster Parent's Guide.				
	Gia answered questions				
	from those in attendance.				
	Discussion took place about				
Respite Care	the social worker's				
	responsibility when it comes				
	to respite care.				
	Many social workers don't				
	make the call to the licensor				
	to make certain there are no				
	capacity, age, gender or				
	training issues.				
	Talya Miller expressed a		Talya Miller and		
Foster Parent	concern that foster parents		Stephanie Swallow to		
Information	may not be aware of the		meet.		
	services and information				
	available to them. Stephanie				
	Swallow suggested that she				
	and Talya meet to go over				
	how information can be				
	shared.				

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	Foster parents are concerned			
Foster Parent Concerns	about the future and what it			
	will mean if they are			
	transferred from privately			
	licensed foster care to the			
	state licensed homes, and the			
	loss of support they get from			
	the private agency groups.			
	There is a great deal of	Stephanie Allison-		
2106 Concerns	concern about how HB 2106	Noone		
	will impact foster parents			
	and what the future will look			
	like. Talya suggested that a			
	Q & A sheet be prepared for			
	foster parents, particularly			
	for those questions that are			
	asked repeatedly.			
Additional Concerns	Lack of support for liaisons			
	and the foster parent			
	community.			
	There was discussion about			
	CA staff needing to go out			
	and attend support groups so			
	that communication can take			
	place so that the anxieties of			
	foster parents will be			
	reduced.			
Children Aging Out	Foster parents would like			
	information on what is being			
	done for, or services offered			
	to, children once they			
	become 18. They will need			
	family connections and			

	support.			
Respite – Private	John Allen will follow-up on	John Allen	12-9-10	
Agency	how a private agency home			
	can provide respite for			
	another private agency, or			
	state-licensed home.			
Placements	If foster parents have			
	questions about placement			
	scenarios they should call			
	John Allen – 206-691-2420.			
	John explained that each			
	group/unit has separate			
	functions:			
	DLR			
	Placement			
	Social workers			
Conference Call	No one used the call-in			
	number.			